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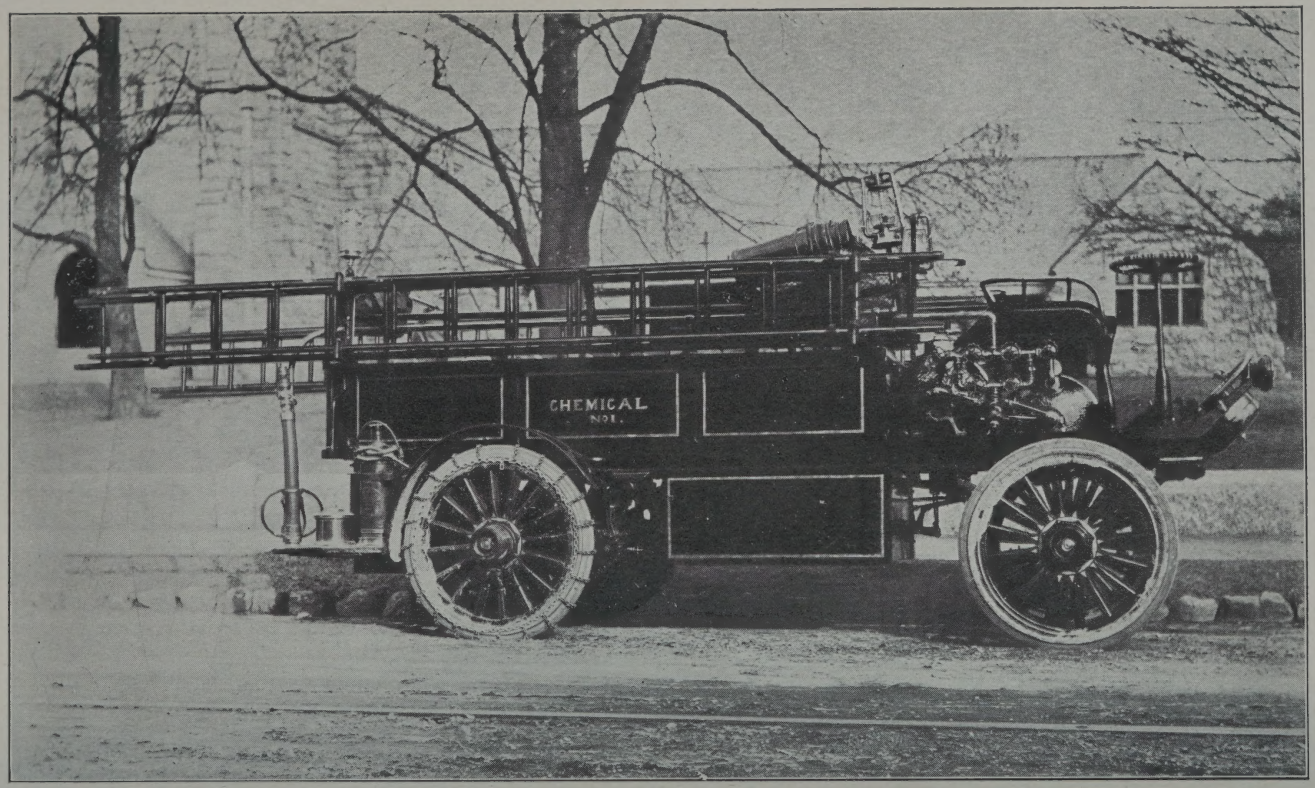

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Twentieth Annual Report

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1905.

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1906.

LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.

E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill,

J. M. French.

Town Clerk.

William H. Jordan.

Treasurer.

E. D. Bancroft.

Tax Collector.
E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor.
A. A. Messinger.

Assessors.

W. S. Hague, Clerk, Term expires 1906.
Wm. Bancroft, Term expires 1907.
H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1908.

School Committee.

H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1906.
Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1907.
Harriet B. Sornborger, Term expires 1908.

Trustees of Public Library.

E. L. Osgood, Term expires 1906.
F. H. French, Term expires 1907.
Anna M. Bancroft, Term expires 1908.

Road Commissioners.

Clare H. Draper, Term expires 1906.
Charles E. Pierce, Term expires 1907.
G. A. Draper, Term expires 1908.

Park Commissioners.

Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1906.
Charles F. Roper, Term expires 1907.
George Otis Draper, Term expires 1908.

Constables.

Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, S. A. Andrew,
J. M. French, E. C. Barrows.

Field Drivers.

Sylvester L. Madden, J. M. French,
Frank Gaskill.

Tree Warden.

Eben S. Draper.

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

Engineers of Fire Department.

George W. Jenkins, Chief.
C. E. Pierce, 1st Assistant.
F. B. Sweet, Clerk and Treasurer.

Police Officers.

A. F. Fairbanks, Charles W. Wheeler, Samuel Snodgrass,
S. A. Staples, C. E. Fairbanks, C. C. Downing,
Fred A. Chilson, Thomas Matthews, Geo. W. Jenkins,
Alex Hollis, Sylvester L. Madden, W. S. Hague,
Chas. L. Decoster, E. A. Sherman, H. B. Leonard.

Forest Firewards.

Sylvester L. Madden, A. A. Westcott, R. G. Gaskill, Jr.,
William Kelley, Geo. W. Jenkins, Edmund Barrows,
Fred B. Sweet, Chas. E. Pierce, Walter F. Durgin,
Hale Watson.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Sylvester L. Madden, John Hilton, A. A. Westcott,
W. H. Barney, Wilfred Gaskill, F. A. Card.

Measurer of Lumber.

C. E. Nutting.

Public Weighers.

Forest W. Nichols, A. A. Westcott, Geo. W. Jenkins.

Fire Police.

Robert Ross.

Weighers of Coal.

W. H. Barney, F. A. Card.

Inspector of Cattle.

Wilfred Gaskill.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions.

Waldo Phipps.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Charles W. Wheeler.

Town Counsel.

J. A. Taft.

Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.

Thomas H. Bradley.

Agent Board of Health to Sign Burial Permits.

William H. Jordan.

Registrars of Voters.

S. A. Staples, Term expires 1906.
W. H. Grayson, Term expires 1907.
H. F. Searles, Term expires 1908.
W. H. Jordan, Clerk.

Dog Officer.

Walter F. Durgin.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Superintendent of Schools.

Herbert F. Taylor.

Truant Officers.

C. E. Fairbanks, Samuel Snodgrass,
S. A. Staples, H. F. Taylor.

APPOINTED BY PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Superintendent of Parks.

Walter F. Durgin.

APPOINTED BY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Librarian.

Harriet B. Sornborger.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Town Records.

January 7, 1905.

The board of selectmen, town clerk, and Constable S. A. Andrew met at selectmen's room, Town Hall, January 7, 1905, at 7.30 P. M. L. B. Gaskill, selectman, drew from the juror box the name of A. A. Westcott, 2d, to serve as traverse juror at the superior court to be holden at Worcester, within and for the county of Worcester, on the third Monday of January, it being the 16th day of said January, 1905.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

January 7, 1905.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale, State of Massachusetts.

The undersigned herewith makes application for a license to store, transport, and use such amount of dynamite as may be necessary in the construction of its line of telephone and telegraph poles, in and through the Town of Hopedale, State of Massachusetts.

AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CO.
Per H. H. Kitshen,
Court Clerk.

North Uxbridge, Mass.

Hopedale, Mass., January 7, 1905.

License is hereby granted to the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. to transport, store, and use dynamite in the Town of Hopedale, State of Massachusetts, as regulated

by the District Police, under Sections 2 and 3, Chapter 370, Acts 1904.

Signed,

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Board of Selectmen.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

February 11, 1905.

I hereby certify, that the package containing the ballots cast at the last State Election, were in accordance with Section 238, Chapter 548, Acts of 1898, and were this day destroyed by fire, unopened, and unexamined.

WILLIAM H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

Hopedale Mass., February 25, 1905.

Placed on file in Town Clerk's Office:

Pole location of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, in the Town of Hopedale, Worcester county, Mass.

Approved.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

February 25, 1905.

REPORT OF THE ROAD COMMISSIONERS ON HIGHLAND STREET.

On petition of William F. Draper and others to lay out Highland street. After giving all parties interested due notice, and a hearing having been held, in accordance with Statutes, we have taken action in the matter, and would report to the town, for its acceptance, Highland street, as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Main

street at the north-east corner of land of S. A. Andrew, thence south 40 deg. 15 min., east 656.60 feet to an angle; thence north 60 deg. 36 min., east 560.00 feet to the westerly side of Daniels street; the last named course forming an angle of 90 deg. with said Daniels street.

The line herein described being the westerly line of said Highland street, being parallel and 40 feet distant from the easterly line.

All in accordance with plan herewith, made by H. L. Dunn, C. E., dated February 23, 1905, and which forms a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. PIERCE,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
C. H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners Town of Hopedale.

Filed February 25, 1905.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6, 1905.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the sixth day of March next, punctually at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, (the polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting), to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The following officers to be voted for upon one written or printed ballot and the use of the check list:

Town clerk, treasurer, collector, auditor, selectmen, one road commissioner for three years, overseers of poor, board of health, one assessor to serve three years, five constables, one trustee of public library to serve three years, one park commissioner to serve three years, and one tree warden to serve for one year; also to bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen, overseers of the poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and any other officers and committees of said town.

Article 4. To raise such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing, and appropriate the same.

Article 5. To see if the town will instruct the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1905.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate fifty dollars toward defraying the expense of Memorial day.

Article 7. To see if any discount will be allowed on taxes paid on or before the first of September, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see what disposition the town will make of money refunded from county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will allow the collecter of taxes for his services.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $500 to complete the grading and lay-out of the grounds around the fountain presented to the town by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200 for supplying water and taking care

of fountain presented by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to make a five-year contract with the Milford Electric Light and Power Co. for street lights, or take any action in regard to this matter.

Article 14. To see if the town will accept and allow the report of the road commissioners on laying out Highland street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the town will accept and allow the report of the road commissioners on the re-location of Cemetery street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to change the name of the westerly portion of Union street to Cemetery street.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to discontinue a portion of Progress street so as to make the street of uniform width throughout.

Article 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to pay the expenses of the committee on improvements in the fire department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the town will re-surface Freedom street, from William to Dutcher street, raise and appropriate any money therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1905.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., Feb. 25, 1905.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6, 1905.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at nine o'clock were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. The polls were declared open, and balloting for town officers, and for "Yes" and "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?" then proceeded.

Article 3. Voted: That the report of the selectmen, overseers of poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and all other officers of the town, be accepted as printed.

Mr. E. S. Draper in behalf of the committee appointed to look into the matter relating to better facilities for the fire department, said he could only report progress, and had no recommendations to offer. In his statement he said the committee had had several meetings, had talked over the matter of new fire station and equipment, that this plan would cost the town in the neighborhood of $40,000.00, which seemed a large expenditure for this purpose, that modern ideas in fire

fighting, tended toward automatic engines on automobile lines, and spoke of article 18 in the warrant regarding the $200.00 asked for, that it was the intention of the committee to have some of their members visit places which owned machines along this line, to ascertain if possible if they were satisfactory.

Article 4. Voted: That the chair appoint a committee of nine, who shall retire and recommend a list of appropriations for the year ensuing.

The following committee were appointed by the chair:—

George Otis Draper,	E. A. Darling,	Eben D. Bancroft,
Charles E. Pierce,	Clare H. Draper,	Howard W. Bracken,
Lewis B. Gaskill,	Charles E. Nutting,	Frank J. Dutcher.

Voted: To accept the report of above committee as read by George Otis Draper, chairman, and act upon the same, item by item.

Voted: Unanimously, to raise and appropriate for heating, care, teaching, fuel, supplies, textbooks, improvements, repairs, and supervision of schools . . $14,500 00

For support of library (exclusive of dog tax) .		2,300 00
For highway department, general account	$5,500 00	
For highway department, watering streets	1,450 00	
For highway department, sidewalks	750 00	
		7,700 00
For fire department, general account	$1,875 00	
For fire department, forest fires .	100 00	
For fire department, new hose .	200 00	
		2,175 00
For incidental department		3,000 00
For water for fire purposes . . .		2,100 00
For street lighting account . . .		2,543 00
For Town Hall account		500 00
For state and county tax		11,000 00
For use of tree warden		500 00
For poor department		1,200 00

For park department	$2,500 00
For interest account	700 00
	$50,718 00

Article 5. Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Hopedale, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, the town treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the majority of the board of selectmen, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate $35,000.00 (thirty-five thousand dollars) and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate $50.00 to defray the expense of Memorial Day, said amount to be paid to Post 22, G. A. R.

Article 7. Voted: To allow a discount of two per cent on all taxes paid on or before September 1.

Article 8. Voted: To turn over to the library the money refunded to the town from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. Voted: That the collector of taxes be allowed one half of one per cent for his services.

Article 10. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to complete the grading and lay-out of the grounds around the fountain presented to the town by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for supplying water and taking care of fountain presented by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper.

Article 13. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to make a five-year contract with the Milford Electric Light and Power Co. for street lights.

Article 14. Voted: To accept and allow the report of the road commissioners on laying out of Highland street, (said street having been built by Gen. Wm. F. Draper without expense to the town) said report being found on Page 417 of town record book. (This report appears on page 7 of this issue.)

Article 15. Voted: To accept and allow the report of the road commissioners on the re-location of Cemetery street. (Copy of this report appears on Page 13 of 1904 town report.)

Article 16. Voted: To change the name of the westerly portion of Union street, to Cemetery street.

Article 17. Voted: To discontinue a portion of Progress street so that it will be of uniform width throughout.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to pay expenses of the committee on improvements in the fire department.

Article 19. Voted: To re-surface Freedom street, from William to Dutcher street, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 therefor.

Voted: To close the polls at one o'clock P. M.

Punctually at one o'clock the moderator declared the polls closed, the ballots cast were counted by the selectmen, and the result was declared as follows: License: 0 Yes. 100 No. There were 112 ballots cast for each of the following town officers:—

Town clerk, Wm. H. Jordan.

Town treasurer, E. D. Bancroft.

Collector, E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor, A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, overseers of the poor, board of health, and fence viewers: E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, J. M. French.

Assessor for three years, Howard W. Bracken.

Road commissioner for three years, George A. Draper.

School committee for three years, Harriet B. Sornborger.

Trustee of town library for three years, Anna M. Bancroft.

Constables, Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, J. M. French, S. A. Andrew, E. C. Barrows.

Field drivers, S. L. Madden, J. M. French, Frank Gaskill.

Tree warden, Eben S. Draper.

Park commissioner for three years, George Otis Draper.

Of the above elected officers the following were present and were sworn by the moderator to the faithful performance of their duties:—

Wm. H. Jordon, E. A. Darling, J. M. French, L. B. Gaskill, S. A. Andrew, E. S. Stimpson, A. A. Messinger.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

May 6, 1905.

The board of selectmen, town clerk, and Constable J. M. French met at selectmen's room, Town Hall, May 6, 1905, at 7.30 P. M. and L. B. Gaskill, selectman, drew from the juror box the name of Wm. Bancroft to serve as traverse juror at our superior court, to be holden at Worcester, within and for our county of Worcester, on the second Monday of May, said juror to attend on Monday, the 15th day of May, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

May 8, 1905.

A sixth class liquor license was this day granted to L. A. Lamson & Son, Druggists, Harrison Block, Hopedale, (to expire May 1, 1906) by the selectmen of said town.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

June 3, 1905.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To either constable of the town of Hopedale, in said county,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Saturday, the third day of June next, punctually at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept the report of the committee appointed by the town at its meeting held March 3, 1902, for providing better accommodations and facilties for the fire apparatus, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to purchase additional fire apparatus and provide accommodations for the same, raise and appropriate any money therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 26th day of May, A. D. 1905.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., May 27, 1905.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, JUNE 3, 1905.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 7.30 o'clock P. M. were called to order by the clerk of said town who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. After hearing the remarks by Mr. E. S. Draper, chairman, it was Voted: That the report of this committee be accepted, and the recommendations adopted, and that the committee be discharged.

Article 3. Voted: Unanimously, that the town raise and appropriate $5,000.00 for additional fire apparatus, namely: A combination chemical, ladder, and hose wagon of the automobile type, and provide accommodations for the same. On motion of Mr. E. S. Draper, a committee of five was appointed to take this matter in charge, said committee to consist of E. S. Draper, chairman, E. D. Bancroft, and the board of fire engineers.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

Hopedale, Mass., June 16, 1905.

Mr. G. Forbes, jr., was this day appointed assistant town clerk, to act in the absence of the town clerk. Said Forbes, jr., was duly qualified June 17, 1905.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

November 7, 1905.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss.

To either constable of the town of Hopedale, in said county, Greeting:

In the name of the commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the seventh day of November, A. D. 1905, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in their ballots to the selectmen for governor; lieutenant-governor; secretary; treasurer; auditor; attorney-general; councillor; senator; two representatives in the General Court; county commissioner; also one to fill vacancy; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

The polls may be closed at one o'clock on said day of meeting.

At 12 o'clock noon of the above mentioned seventh day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the above described inhabitants to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen.

Article 3. To hear the report of any committee appointed by the town.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1905.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., Oct. 28, 1905.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 7, 1905.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon were called to order by the clerk of said town who read the warrant after which the polls were declared open. The cards of instructions and sample ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks, and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the offi-

cial ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor. The ballot-box registered at zero and was shown to be empty, and the keys delivered to Constable Samuel A. Andrew. Voting then proceeded.

At 12 o'clock noon there was a meeting of the above-described inhabitants and under

Article 1. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator.

Article 2. Voted: To accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen, which list follows:—

Frank L. Arnold,	R. G. Gaskill, jr.,	DeForrest Morrison,
Wm. Bancroft,	Wm. H. Grayson,	Henry A. Stearns,
H. M. Bates,	Edwin C. Hall,	Charles M. Thayer,
Wm. L. Beals,	E. A. Harding,	Wallace Warner,
C. H. Bull,	John S. Henry,	A. A. Westcott, 2d,
James D. Draper,	Ernest Knox,	David A. Westcott,
Albion H. French,	H. B. Leonard,	Wilmarth A. Westcott,
Charles M. Fairbanks,	A. A. Messinger,	H. E. Woodbury,

Hamblet E. Dewing, Wm. E. Knights.

Article 3. No committee to report.

Voted: To close the polls at 4.31 o'clock P. M., this being the hour of sunset.

At 1.35 o'clock P. M. the ballot-box, which registered 444, was opened by Constable Samuel A. Andrew, and 444 ballots were taken therefrom, the tellers being duly sworn as the law directs, counting proceeded. At 3.55 o'clock Constable Andrew opened the ballot-box and took six ballots to fill out a block.

Promptly at 4.31 o'clock, the hour of sunset, the polls were declared closed.

The ballot-box registered 479, and 29 more ballots were taken therefrom, making a total of 479. 479 names had been checked on the voting list, and 479 names had been checked on the ballot clerk's list. After compiling the various lists, the result was declared in open meeting, and was as follows:—

GOVERNOR.

Charles W. Bartlett of Boston, Democratic . .	51
James F. Carey of Haverhill, Socialist . . .	8

William H. Carroll of Boston, Socialist Labor	0
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, Republican	407
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, Prohibition	3
Blanks	10

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Thomas F. Brennan of Salem, Socialist Labor	0
Eben S. Draper of Hopedale, Republican	417
Patrick Mahoney of Boston, Socialist	5
John H. Smith of Dalton, Prohibition	6
Henry M. Whitney of Brookline, Democratic	43
Blanks	8

SECRETARY.

Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, Socialist	7
Jonathan S. Lewis of Stoneham, Prohibition	5
Wm. M. Olin of Boston, Republican	413
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke, Socialist Labor	0
Henry B. Little of Newburyport, Democratic	33
Blanks	21

TREASURER.

Christopher D. Albro of Milford, Prohibition	10
David S. Brodeur of Brockton, Socialist	9
Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, Republican	412
Joao Claudino of New Bedford, Socialist Labor	0
Daniel F. Doherty of Westfield, Democratic	30
Blanks	18

AUDITOR.

Patrick J. Ashe of North Adams, Democratic	32
Herbert B. Griffin of Boston, Prohibition	5
E. O. Fredrik Hansson of Medford, Socialist Labor	0
Ambrose Miles of Lynn, Socialist	8
Henry E. Turner of Malden, Republican	408
Blanks	26

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket, Prohibition	11
Henry C. Hess of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
John P. Leahy of Boston, Democratic	35

Dana Malone of Greenfield, Republican	406
John Weaver Sherman of Boston, Socialist	7
Blanks	19

COUNCILLOR, (7TH DISTRICT).

William A. Lytle of Worcester, Republican	397
John C. Sanborn of Fitchburg, Socialist	12
John A. Whittaker of Southbridge	35
Blanks	35

SENATOR (5TH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

Cyrus R. Axtell of Grafton, Prohibition	8
Samuel E. Hull of Millbury, Republican	394
John C. Lynch of Milford, Democratic	45
Burrill W. Morse of Oxford, Socialist	9
Blanks	23

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (TWO) (TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

George F. Birch of Milford, Republican	365
Walter Curley of Upton, Democratic	39
Charles E. Dewing of Milford, Socialist	11
William D. Leahy of Milford, Democratic	87
Francis T. Nelson of Upton, Republican	316
Blanks	140

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (WORCESTER).

James Daly of Uxbridge, Democratic	31
Warren Goodale of Clinton, Republican	410
John F. Mullen of Clinton, Socialist	9
Blanks	29

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (WORCESTER) (TO FILL VACANCY).

George L. Clemence of Southbridge, Republican	408
Willie B. Wood of West Boylston, Democratic	38
Blanks	33

After the reading of the above by the presiding officer, Chairman Darling, the warrant was dissolved by the moderator. The check lists used by the selectmen and ballot clerks, together with the cancelled and unused ballots and tally

sheets, were sealed and delivered to the town clerk. The returns were made out, and signed and made ready for mailing.

Attest: WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

CLERKS' MEETING.

November 17, 1905.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss,

In compliance with Section 257, Chapter 11 of the revised laws of Massachusetts, we, the clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Milford, Upton, Mendon, and Westborough, which towns comprise the tenth Worcester representative district, this day met at the Town Hall in said Hopedale, and compared the returns of votes cast in the said towns for two representatives to the General Court to be holden in Boston, on the first Wednesday in January next.

Said votes were returned to us as by law required, and were given in at legal meetings held in each of said towns for that purpose,on the seventh day of November, A. D. 1905, and are shown by the following tabular statement.

Representative vote in the tenth Worcester Representative District:—

	Hopedale.	Milford.	Mendon.	Upton.	Westborough.	Total.
George F. Birch of Milford, Republican,	365	831	95	212	354	1857
Walter Curley of Upton, Democratic,	89	774	25	95	148	1081
Charles E. Dewing of Milford, Socialist,	11	87	6	10	16	130
William D. Leahy of Milford, Democratic,	87	894	36	58	143	1218
Francis T. Nelson of Upton, Republican,	316	568	83	292	348	1607
Blanks,	140	702	55	125	203	1225

George F. Birch of Milford and Francis T. Nelson of Upton, having received the largest number of votes were declared elected, and to them certificates of election were given, also a duplicate was sent to the secretary of the Commonwealth as the law directs.

In witness whereof, we, the undersigned clerks of Hopedale, Milford, Mendon, Upton, and Westborough, hereto set our hands this 17th day of November, 1905.

Attest:

William H. Jordan, Town Clerk of Hopedale,
Horace C. Adams, Town Clerk of Mendon,
John T. McLoughlin, Town Clerk of Milford,
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk of Upton,
Joseph S. Gates, Town Clerk of Westborough.

PETITION.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires, in the following named streets and highways of said town, viz.: On Dutcher street from near the residence of C. E. Nutting to Milford town line.

Said Company agrees to reserve space at the top of these poles for telephone, fire alarm, and police signal wires owned by the town and used for municipal purposes only.

Date November 13, 1905.

THE NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

By F. A. Houston, General Manager.
J. H. B.

In Board of Selectmen, Hopedale, Massachusetts,
Dec. 8, 1905.

Voted: That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and

permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the traveled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the board of selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: On Dutcher street from near the residence of C. E. Nutting to Milford town line.

Said Company agrees to reserve space at the top of these poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires owned by the town and used for municipal purposes only.

Signatures of Selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH.

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the Records of the Town of Hopedale, Book One, Page 435.

Attest: WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that on December 8, 1905, at 7.30 o'clock P. M. at selectmen's room, Town House, a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed, and that I mailed at least three days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the

last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said Company under said specification.

Attest:

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

JURORS DRAWN.

Asa A. Westcott, 2d, traverse juror, January 7, 1905.
William Bancroft, " " May 6, 1905.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

112 male, 9 female. Amount sent to County Treasurer $244.80, of which amount $227.66 was returned to the town.

VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1905.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	MARRIAGE.	BY WHOM MARRIED.
1905.					
Jan. 7,	Roland E. Rhoades,	Hopedale, Mass.,	33	2nd	Rev. David Howie.
	Eva L. Holt,	Hopedale, Mass.,	28	1st	
Feb. 8,	Peter Ferrara,	Milford, Mass.,	22	1st	Rev. D. T. Magill.
	Grace Vitale,	Hopedale, Mass.,	19	1st	
" 20,	John J. Lahive,	Westboro, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath.
	Julia G. O'Connell,	Hopedale, Mass.,	27	1st	
Mch. 5,	Charles M. Fairbank,	Hopedale, Mass.,	35	1st	Rev. T. C. Chapman.
	Elizabeth C. Nealley,	Hopedale, Mass.,	22	1st	
" 23,	Chester M. Bell,	Hopedale, Mass.,	20	1st	Rev. W. S. Danker.
	Majorie L. Sprague,	Milford, Mass.,	20	1st	
" 29,	Carl B. Stowers,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	Rev. Geo. E. Lovejoy.
	Carrie E. Adams,	N. Andover, Mass.,	23	1st	
May 17,	William N. Prentiss,	Milford, Mass.,	38	1st	Rev. D. T. Magill.
	Nellie A. Greenway,	Hopedale, Mass.,	18	1st	
June 3,	Walter F. Roper,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. S. R. Roblin.
	Harriette F. Nichols,	Boston, Mass.,	23	1st	
" 12,	Walter E. Burke,	Hopedale, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. J. D. McGann.
	Margaret A. Reilly,	Westboro, Mass.,	28	1st	
" 14,	Harry E. Woodbury,	Hopedale, Mass.,	27	1st	Rev. H. H. Mott.
	Marion S. Howe,	Nashua, N. H.,	24	1st	
" 14,	Shelley B. Osborne,	Hopedale, Mass.,	22	1st	Rev. E. C. Hayes.
	Annie E. Threlfall,	Elliott, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 26,	William O. Perkins,	Hopedale, Mass.,	30	1st	Rev. C. G. Horst.
	Clair M. Gould,	Upton, Mass.,	29	1st	
" 28,	Arthur W. Cushman,	Springfield, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney.
	Cora M. Patrick,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 29,	Herbert E. Whitcomb,	Hopedale, Mass.,	35	1st	Rev. F. A. Warfield.
	Maud Davis,	Hopedale, Mass.,	25	1st	
July 3,	Nelson White,	Pawtucket, R. I.,	29	1st	Rev. David Howie.
	Clara M. Roeltgen,	Hopedale, Mass.,	22	1st	
" 18,	John J. Gleason,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. D. F. McGrath.
	Esther M. Kearnan,	Milford, Mass.,	18	1st	
Sept. 3,	Frank E. Knight,	Milford, Mass.,	19	1st	Rev. L. A. Harriman.
	Edith M. Gardiner,	Hopedale, Mass.,	17	1st	
" 4,	Walter E. Thayer,	Hopedale, Mass.,	32	2nd	Rev. E. W. Whitney.
	Dacy S. Barrows,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	
" 14,	Roy L. Adams,	Hopedale, Mass.,	19	1st	Rev. A. V. House.
	Annie C. DeLand,	No. Brookfield, "	20	1st	
" 25,	Stanley L. Davis,	Hopedale, Mass.,	32	1st	Rev. W. S. Danker.
	Edith L. Ames,	Milford, Mass.,	24	1st	
Oct. 4,	Jesse D. Bromley,	Hopedale, Mass.,	25	1st	Rev. D. T. Magill.
	Evelyn L. Weeks,	Milford, Mass.,	24	1st	
" 11,	Andrew D. Morse,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	Rev. W. S. Danker.
	Charlotte Perkins,	Milford, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 12,	Fred H. Philpot,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. David Howie.
	Ethna L. Seavey,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 17,	Winfield S. Lapworth,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. F. B. McAllister.
	Henrietta C. Bates,	Cohasset, Mass.,	27	1st	
" 28,	Ralph H. Owen,	Hopedale, Mass.,	43	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins.
	Anna Callahan,	Milford, Mass.,	40	2nd	
" 30,	Benjamin S. T. Bishop,	Hopedale, Mass.,	26	1st	Rev. Eliot White.
	Bessie L. Dewhurst,	Worcester, Mass.,	28	1st	
Nov. 2,	Hamblet E. Dewing,	Hopedale, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. D. T. Magill.
	Florence J. Cook,	Bellingham, Mass.	26	1st	
" 25,	Horace B. Norcross, Jr.,	Hopedale, Mass.,	25	1st	Rev. David Howie.
	Louise A. Craddock,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	
Dec. 5,	Leland K. Whiting,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	Rev. T. F. Davis, Jr.
	Stella E. Loverin,	Worcester, Mass.,	22	1st	
" 20,	Lawrence R. Blair,	Hopedale, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney.
	Gertrude E. Adams,	Milford, Mass.,	19	1st	
" 23,	Henry V. Aldrich,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins.
	Ethel Albee,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 27,	Marcus C. Nelson,	Worcester, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. L. G. Wilson.
	Ella L. Knight,	Hopedale, Mass.,	20	1st	

BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING 1905.

DATE.		NAME.	PARENTS.
1904.			
Feb.	12,	Beth Duston,	Ernest W. and Bertha M. (Sampson).
Apr.	22,	Ellen Blanche Draper,	George E. and Sophia E. (Pope).
May	24,	Bizistini Negrotti,	Joseph and Mary (Cirini).
Oct.	18,	Richard G. G. Smith,	Arthur F. W. and Annie E. (Collins).
1905.			
Feb.	15,	Agatha Thibault,	Dello and Annie G. (Harty).
"	23,	Grace Draper,	Clare H. and Grace (Engman).
"	24,	Carl John Johnson,	Andrew and Ida A. (Olson).
March	27,	Samuel Gaskill, 3rd.,	Samuel, jr., and Christina (Nicholson).
Apr.	9,	Dwight Cummings, jr.,	Dwight and Eliza (McWhirter).
"	15,	Arthur Jerald Fallon,	Edward J. and Mary A. (Duff).
"	29,	Richard Matthews,	James C. and Annie (McHale).
May	8,	Ethel Sophia Draper,	George E. and Sophia E. (Pope).
"	17,	Emelinda Filomene Delmonaco,	John and Amelia (Luongo).
"	29,	Mary Caroline Stearns,	William R. and Lillian L. (Beal).
June	8,	Elsie Hill Lord,	David C. and Jessie S. (Hill).
"	19,	Almon Lincoln Tillotson,	Horace A. and Hattie E. (Hopkins).
July	12,	Herbert Francis Taylor, jr.,	Herbert F. and Lillian E. (Thatcher).
"	13,	William Howard Bull,	Charles H. and Mary E. (Buck).
"	28,	Donald Hallet Howes,	Louis I. and Alice F. (Hallet).
"	29,	Ernestine Walker Knox,	Clarence I. and Alice M. (Walker).
Aug.	5,	David Raymond Lewis Lavoie	David J. and Helen J. (Lehan).
"	11,	James Duquette,	Israel and Margaret (Roche).
Sept.	13,	Ethel Lida Brooks,	William and Eliza M. (Morgan).
"	27,	Luce Negrotti, Twins,	Joseph and Mary (Cirini).
"	27,	Gegni Negrotti, Twins,	Joseph and Mary (Cirini).
Oct.	11,	George Leslie Hamant,	George D. and Wilhelmina I. (Pierce).
"	23,	Ethel Estella Wye,	George A. and Mary A. (Morse).
Nov.	1,	Marion Louise Franklin,	Edgar E. and May J. (Balentine).
"	3,	Evelyn Emma Parsons,	Irving A. and Fannie E. (Barrows).
"	5,	Bertha May Gleason,	William F. and Bertha M. (Daniels).

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1905.

DATE.	NAME OF DECEASED.	AGE.			DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
		Y	M	D		
1904.						
Nov. 27,	Elizabeth Johnson,	0	0	2	Infantile Debility,	Milford, Mass.
1905.						
Jan. 18,	George E. Dion,	7	9	4	Drowning Accident,	Hopedale.
" 14,	Annie W. Winkley,	59	0	0	Pneumonia,	New Hamp'ire.
" 27,	Jonathan W. Bunker,	86	4	1	Pneumonia,	Maine.
Feb. 2,	Charles Tufts,	79	6	3	General Debility,	Smithfield, R. I.
" 3,	Asa A. Westcott,	78	5	17	Pneumonia,	Scituate, R. I.
" 19,	John S. Meade,	41	10	22	Heart Disease,	H'sick F'lls NY
" 19,	Lawrence R. Beal,	8	0	12	Whooping Cough,	Westboro.
Mch. 2,	Carl J. Johnson,	0	0	5	Infantile Debility,	Hopedale.
" 2,	Michael Gaffney,	59	0	0	Pneumonia,	Ireland.
" 18,	Jennie P. Parsons,	50	6	20	Apoplexy,	Boscowen, N H
Apr. 1,	Stephen B. Alger,	77	7	5	Cancer of Stomach,	N. Oxford, Mass
" 17,	August J. Anderson,	35	7	20	Suicide,	Sweden.
May 6,	Josephine C. Simmons,	54	9	3	Pneumonia,	Greenwich, NY
" 14,	Caroline D. Collins,	53	4	3	Carcinoma of Intestines,	Milford.
" 16,	William Hoggarth,	89	2	2	Paralysis,	Kirby, Eng.
" 17,	Henry Chase,	87	1	1	Senility,	Leominster.
June 18,	Stephen O. King,	2	3	18	Acute Meningitis,	Hopedale.
Aug. 3,	Vincent Cotter,	0	8	7	Cholera Infantum,	Hopedale.
" 6,	Robert Andrews,	74	4	14	Senility,	Phoenix, R. I.
" 10,	Edith Arrand,	30	6	17	Shock, follow'g Operation,	England.
" 15,	Ethel S. Draper,	0	3	7	Entro Coeliles,	Hopedale.
Sept. 8,	Mortimer S. Dennett,	34	2	21	Arteriosclerosis,	Milford.
" 18,	Thomas Haskell,	50	11	18	Bronchitis,	Templeton, M's
" 19,	Julia Cunningham,	75	0	0	Gastritis,	Ireland.
" 28,	James A. Broughey,	17	0	29	Pneumonia,	Hopedale.
Nov. 1,	Riley Shepherd,	69	3	22	Apoplexy,	England.
" 29,	William A. Butler,	27	0	0	Phthisis,	Nova Scotia.
Dec. 10,	Hattie M. Thayer,	45	7	20	Cardiac Embolism,	Milford.

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists, and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, Vol. I., Chap. 29.

Section 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the preceding month at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name if any, of the child, its sex and color, and the name, place of birth, and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to, the father shall not be stated, except at the request in writing of both father and mother, filed

with the return. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been properly reported to him. A physician or midwife who neglects to report such list on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall for each offence forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

Blanks can be obtained on application to the town clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

Hopedale, December 31, 1905.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

School Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$14,500 00
Teaching, Hopedale	$8,508 00	School property sold	3 61
Teaching, So. Hopedale	526 00		
Care, Hopedale	1,152 54		
Care, So. Hopedale	42 00		
Fuel, Hopedale	1,317 89		
Fuel, So. Hopedale	27 00		
Text-books	483 30		
Supervision	616 70		
Repairs	756 33		
Incidentals	418 88		
Transportation	527 08		
Improvements	125 38		
Balance	2 51		
	$14,503 61		$14,503 61
		Balance unexpended	$2 51

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

PARK COMMISSION in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$2,500 00
Plans and surveys	$ 50 00	Labor and material charged to sundry parties	533 15
Grading and seeding	379 02		
Roads and paths	441 49		
Pay roll	1,326 00		
Tools	76 65		
Fertilizer	64 70		
Bath house	44 60		
Incidentals (See commissioners' report)	648 31		
Balance	2 38		
	$3,033 15		$3,033 15
		Balance unexpended	$2 38

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Books	$ 448 34	General	$2,300 00
Periodicals	132 75	Grading and seeding around fountain	500 00
Binding	145 37	Water for fountain	200 00
Salaries	1,041 02	Dog taxes	227 66
Lighting	284 25	Fines, sale of books, etc.	123 43
Heating	327 00	Income from Bancroft fund	40 00
Fountain	700 00		
Sundries (See trustees' report)	312 36		
	$3,391 09		$3,391 09

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Highway Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Labor and material used in general repairs	$6,973 74	General	$5,500 00
Sundries (See commissioners' report)	432 03	Watering streets	1,450 00
Watering streets	1,061 22	Re-surfacing Freedom street	4,000 00
Re-surfacing Freedom street	1,819 39	Street railway excise tax, 1904	127 59
Balance	2,668 94	Street railway excise tax, 1905	326 72
		Material and work furnished and charged to sundry parties	1,551 01
	$12,955 32		$12,955 32
		Balances unexpended:—	
		General	$99 55
		Watering	$388 78
		Freedom street	$2,180 61

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation . . .	$750 00
Labor and material . . .	$919 50	Material and work furnished and charged to sundry parties . .	232 90
Balance	63 40		
	$982 90		$982 90
		Balance unexpended . . .	$63 40

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Fire Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Pay of members	$956 73	General	$1,875 00
Fuel	44 43	New hose	200 00
Water	11 00	Forest fires	100 00
Lights	22 77	Material sold	21 68
Hose	156 00		
Forest fires	19 60		
Telephones	56 28		
Sundries (See engineers' report)	693 62		
Balance	236 25		
	$2,196 68		$2,196 68
		Balances unexpended:—	
		General	$111 85
		New hose	$44 00
		Forest fires	$80 40

POOR DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$1,200 00
Sundries (See overseers' report) .	$592 22	State of Massachusetts, pauper account	5 00
Balance	724 46	Louis Lerch	51 68
		Jane Bailey	60 00
	$1,316 68		$1,316 68
		Balance unexpended . . .	$724 46

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Incidental Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		
To orders drawn, viz.: —		
Salaries:—		
Selectmen	$200 00	
Selectmen's clerk	50 00	
Treasurer	100 00	
Town clerk	50 00	
Collector	243 45	
Assessors	215 00	
Registrars	110 00	
Auditor	20 00	
Election officials	32 00	
Cattle inspector	25 00	
Town counsel	183 34	
		$1,228 79
Stationery		69 18
Printing		295 97
Insurance		480 41

Cr.	
By appropriation:—	
General	$3,000 00
Court fines	24 13
L. A. Lamson & Son, druggist's license	1 00
Military burial	35 00

Court expenses . . .	52 23		
Sundries (See selectmen's report) .	238 47		
Balance	695 08		
	$3,060 13		$3,060 13
		Balance unexpended . . .	$695 08

State Aid in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To amount paid on orders and charged to state on 1905 account . .	$368 00	By amount received from state on 1904 account	$352 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Special Appropriations in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Water Account.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn	$2,100 00	By appropriation	$2,100 00

Street Lighting Account.

To orders drawn	$2,542 44	By appropriation	$2,543 00
Balance	56		
	$2,543 00		$2,543 00
		Balance unexpended	56

Memorial Day.

To order drawn	$50 00	By appropriation	$50 00

Interest Account.

To orders drawn	$470 02	By appropriation	$700 00
Balance	543 82	Interest on deposits	313 84
	$1,013 84		$1,013 84
		Balance unexpended	$543 82

Town Hall Account.

To orders drawn	$1,454 18	By appropriation	$ 500 00
Balance	58 07	1905 rents	1,012 25
	$1,512 25		$1,512 25
		Balance unexpended	$58 07

State and County Tax Account.

To state tax	$6,160 00	By appropriation	$11,000 00
County tax	5,387 00	Balance	547 00
	$11,547 00		$11,547 00
Balance overdrawn	$547 00		

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Special Appropriations in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer—Continued.

Tree Warden.

To orders drawn	$504 44	By appropriation	$500 00
Balance	265 56	Material charged to sundry parties	270 00
	$770 00		$770 00
		Balance unexpended	$265 56

Corporation, Bank, and Street Railway Tax in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To corporation tax, 1904 account	$ 7 36	By cash 1904 corporation tax	$ 7 36
Corporation tax, 1905 account	7,425 80	Cash 1905 corporation tax	7,425 80
Bank tax, 1905 account	7,730 84	Cash 1905 bank tax	7,730 84
Street railway tax, 1905 account	116 33	Cash 1905 street railway tax	116 33
	$15,280 33		$15,280 33

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To balance of account . . .	$2,204 00	By balance from last account . .	$2,204 00

Detailed Account.

Burlingame lot	$100 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing lot .	$150 00
Sarah M. Whipple . . .	100 00	P. W. Moody, account Lot 45 . .	50 00
Sally Whipple	100 00	W. G. Comstock	50 00
Margery Humphrey . . .	250 00	Mary J. Jacques	100 00
J. B. Bancroft	500 00	J. A. Edmands	100 00
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher . . .	150 00	George Scriven	65 00
S. B. Holbrook	100 00	George H. Cole	100 00
L. H. Ballou	200 00	Frank H. French	75 00
Mary Draper	14 00		

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

New Fire Apparatus in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn	$3,908 88	By appropriation	$5,000 00
Balance	1,091 12		
	$5,000 00		$5,000 00
		Balance unexpended	$1,091 12

Fire Department Committee in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To order drawn	$200 00	By appropriation	$200 00

E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Hopedale.

Dr.		
To balance from old accounts, viz.:—		
Cemetery trust account	$2,204 00	
Library trust account	1,000 00	
Balance general fund	923 64	
		$ 4,127 64
Collector, 1900 account		2 00
Collector, 1901 account		5 67
Collector, 1902 account		2 00
Collector, 1903 account		6 75
Collector, 1904 account		80 61
Collector, 1905 account		48,137 22
Collector, 1905 stamp tax		19 28
Collector, street railway excise tax, 1904 account		127 59
Collector, street railway excise tax, 1905 account		210 39
Corporation tax, 1904 account		7 36
Corporation tax, 1905 account		7,425 80
Bank tax, 1905 account		7,730 84

Cr.	
By amounts paid:—	
Fire department	$ 1,960 43
Poor department	592 22
Library department	3,391 09
School department	14,501 10
Highway department	10,286 38
Sidewalk department	919 50
Park department	3,030 77
Incidental department	2,365 05
Water account	2,100 00
Street lighting	2,542 44
Interest account	470 02
Memorial Day	50 00
Town Hall	1,454 18
State and county tax	11,547 00
Tree warden	504 44
State aid	368 00
Borrowed money	20,000 00
New fire apparatus account	3,908 88

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer, in account with the TOWN OF HOPEDALE—Continued.

Street railway tax, 1905 account	116 33
State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1904 account	352 00
State of Massachusetts, military burial, 1904 account	35 00
State of Massachusetts, pauper account	5 00
Poor department, 1904 account	111 68
Dog licenses, library account	227 66
Library, Bancroft fund income	40 00
Library, fines, sale of books, etc.	123 43
School department, property sold	3 61
Highway department, 1904 account	9 90
Highway department, 1905 account	1,774 01
Fire department, property sold	21 68
Town Hall, rents, etc., 1905 account	1,012 25
Interest on deposits	313 84
Court fines	24 13
L. A. Lamson & Son, druggist's license	1 00
Fire department committee	200 00
Balance	12,666 32

Park department, 1905 account .		533 15	
Tree warden, 1905 account . .		270 00	
Borrowed money . . .		20,000 00	
		$92,857 82	$92,857 82
Balance to new account, viz.:—			
Cemetery trust account	$2,204 00		
Library trust account	1,000 00		
Balance general fund	9,462 32		
		$12,666 32	

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS CHARGED TO SUNDRY PARTIES UNPAID DEC. 31, 1905.

State of Massachusetts, state aid $368 00

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS, AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1905.

	Appropriations.	Cash Receipts.	Amts. Unpaid.	Balances. Overdrawn.	Balances. Unexpended.
School department:—					
General,	$14,500 00	$ 3 61			$ 2 51
Library department:—					
General,	2,300 00	391 09			
Grading and seeding,	500 00				
Water for fountain,	200 00				
Highway department:—					
General,	5,500 00	2,005 32			99 55
Watering streets,	1,450 00				388 78
Sidewalks,	750 00	232 90			63 40
Re-surfacing Freedom street,	4,000 00				2,180 61
Fire department:—					
General,	1,875 00	21 68			111 85
New hose,	200 00				44 00
Forest fires,	100 00				80 40
Incidental department,	3,000 00	60 13			695 08
Water account,	2,100 00				
Street lighting account,	2,543 00				56
Interest account,	700 00	313 84			543 82
Memorial Day account,	50 00				
Town Hall account,	500 00	1,012 25			58 07
State and county tax account,	11,000 00			$547 00	
Tree warden,	500 00	270 00			265 56
Poor department,	1,200 00	116 68			724 46
State aid,		352 00	$368 00		
Park department,	2,500 00	533 15			2 38
New fire apparatus account,	5,000 00				1,091 12
Fire department committee acct.	200 00				

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1905	$ 4,127 64	
Total receipts for year	88,460 18	
		$92,857 82
Total cash expenditures on 1905 accounts		80,191 50
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1906		$12,666 32
Less library trust fund	$1,000 00	
Less cemetery trust fund	2,204 00	
		3,204 00
Balance to general fund as shown in cash report		$9,466 32

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1905.

INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation		$3,000 00
L. A. Lamson & Son, license fee . .		1 00
Fines received from third district court .		24 13
To D. A. Westcott, insurance . .	$480 41	
G. C. Adams, carriage for assessors	12 00	
A. F. Fairbanks, court services .	11 09	
A. A. Jenkins, court services .	11 66	
Cromwell E. Fairbanks, court services	2 76	
Samuel Snodgrass, court services .	6 45	
H. C. Snell, court services . .	20 27	
Emery & Wood, return of deaths .	2 25	
George W. Wood, return of deaths .	3 50	
W. H. Jordan, vital statistics .	28 00	
W. H. Jordan, sundries . .	3 60	
L. A. Lamson & Son, sundries .	2 15	
W. S. Hague, sundries . .	6 00	
State of Massachusetts, account license	25	
The Fairbanks Co., weights . .	2 82	
Adams Express Co., express . .	1 40	
Davoren's Express, express . .	80	
J. M. French, fumigating . .	16 50	
West Disinfecting Co., sundries .	6 85	
W. F. Durgin, burying 12 dogs .	12 00	
Clayton Gaskill, labor at cemetery .	5 50	
J. M. French, special police duty .	9 00	
C. L. Decoster, special police duty .	12 90	
H. B. Leonard, special police duty .	12 00	
Thomas Matthews, special police duty	10 50	

Geo. H. Phipps, special police duty .	$ 7 35
C. C. Downing, special police duty .	4 50
E. A. Sherman, special police duty .	15 30
W. S. Hague, special police duty .	12 90
H. H. Hart, special police duty .	3 60
W. F. Durgin, special police duty .	7 50
S. A. Staples, special police duty .	3 60
Samuel Snodgrass, special police duty	6 60
R. R. Girvin, special police duty .	2 10
David C. Lord, special police duty .	3 60
Frank L. Arnold, special police duty	90
G. Forbes, jr., special police duty .	3 60
S. A. Andrews, posting warrants, etc.	15 00
Draper Co., sundries . . .	2 80
Tewksbury & Weir, repairing light on Hope street bridge . .	1 10
Stationery	69 18
Printing	295 97
A. A. Messinger, service at polls .	5 00
C. E. Pierce, service at polls .	5 00
F. H. French, service at polls .	5 00
S. A. Staples, service at polls .	5 00
Fred B. Sweet, service at polls .	3 00
George H. Davis, service at polls .	3 00
Thomas Gaffney, service at polls .	3 00
R. G. Gaskill, service at polls .	3 00
Salaries:—	
A. A. Messinger, auditor . .	20 00
E. S. Stimpson, collector of taxes .	243 45
E. A. Darling, chairman of selectmen	100 00
L. B. Gaskill, selectman . .	50 00
J. M. French, selectman . .	50 00
W. S. Hague, clerk of board of selectmen	50 00
H. F. Searles, registrar . .	25 00
W. H. Jordan, registrar . .	25 00

W. H. Jordan, clerk for registrars	$ 10 00	
W. H. Jordan, town clerk . .	50 00	
W. H. Grayson, registrar . .	25 00	
S. A. Staples, registrar . .	25 00	
Wendell Williams, town counsel .	66 67	
J. A. Taft, town counsel . .	116 67	
William Bancroft, assessor .	75 00	
H. W. Bracken, assessor . .	40 00	
W. S. Hague, assessor . .	100 00	
E. D. Bancroft, town treasurer .	100 00	
Wilfred Gaskill, cattle inspector .	25 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	660 08	
	$3,025 13	$3,025 13

STATE AID.

To Harriet A. Bean . . .	48 00	
Julia A. Chipman . . .	48 00	
Alice Lowell	48 00	
Sarah M. Merriam . . .	48 00	
Olive Wood	32 00	
George H. Williams . . .	72 00	
Frederick Whitney . . .	72 00	
By amount due from state . .		$368 00
	$368 00	$368 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

By appropriation		$50 00
To Post 22, G. A. R. . . .	$50 00	
	$50 00	$50 00

WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

By appropriation		$2,100 00
To Milford Water Co. . . .	$2,100 00	
	$2,100 00	$2,100 00

STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation		$2,543 00
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co.,	$2,542 44	
Unexpended balance . . .	56	
	$2,543 00	$2,543 00

TAXES.

By appropriation		$11,000 00
To state tax	$6,160 00	
County tax	5,387 00	
Balance overdrawn . . .		547 00
	$11,547 00	$11,547 00

TREE WARDEN.

By appropriation		$500 00
Draper Co., trees		268 00
Mrs. Hamblet B. Fisk, wood . . .		2 00
To Emory Munyon, 1 ladder . .	$ 7 00	
H. L. Frost & Co., pruning trees .	134 62	
Town of Hopedale, highway department, labor . . .	58 82	
W. B. Whittier & Co., trees . .	304 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	265 56	
	$770 00	$770 00

TOWN HALL.

By appropriation		$ 500 00
Rents		1,012 25
To Avery & Woodbury, re-seating chairs	$ 1 70	
Milford Water Co., water . .	53 05	
Eldredge & Son, painting hall, etc. .	221 50	
Hopedale Stable, coal . . .	250 58	
Milford Gas Light Co. . .	83 30	
Norris, Staples & Gould, labor .	223 88	
E. R. Darling, key blanks . .	1 20	
Draper Co., sundries . . .	1 67	

Howes & Howes, sundries . .	$ 14 11	
H. H. Lent, labor . . .	9 73	
Bacon & Co., iron . . .	1 51	
G. & U. R. R., freight on iron . .	50	
Bishop & Heredeen, labor . .	70	
Clark Ellis & Sons, chimneys .	75	
L. A. Lamson & Son, sundries .	50	
Town of Hopedale, park department, wood	11 50	
J. M. French & Son, carting ashes .	3 00	
Swift B. Lyon, tuning piano . .	3 00	
Janitor	572 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	58 07	
	$1,512 25	$1,512 25

INTEREST.

By appropriation . . .	.	$700 00
Interest on deposits . . .	.	313 84
To Milford Savings bank . .	$297 78	
Hopedale Village cemetery . .	132 24	
Library trustees on Bancroft trust fund	40 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	543 82	
	$1,013 84	$1,013 84

NEW FIRE APPARATUS, ETC.

By appropriation . . .	.	$5,000 00
To H. H. Lent, labor at Engine house .	$ 7 48	
Wm. Ahern, labor at Engine house .	2 40	
Draper Co., vitriol and cement .	7 59	
Town of Hopedale, highway department, sundries	6 25	
Tewksbury & Weir, 1 Mercury Arch Rectifier, and labor and materials installing same . . .	260 53	
Howe Engine Co., Electrical Chemical wagon	3,500 00	

W. O. Hager, labor . . .	$ 3 75	
Cornelius Callahan Co., sundries .	11 00	
Milford Auto Station, sundries .	23 88	
Tewksbury & Weir, 1 Auto Cutout .	30 00	
Harvey E. Trask, labor, etc. . .	52 50	
Charles Miller, labor . . .	3 50	
Balance unexpended . . .	1,091 12	
	$5,000 00	$5,000 00

EXPENSES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE.

By appropriation		$200 00
To R. A. Cook, drawings, etc. . .	$200 00	
	$200 00	$200 00

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriations.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Totals.	Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriations.
Incidentals,	$3,000 00		$ 25 13	$ 3,025 13	$ 2,365 05	$ 660 08	
Street lights,	2,543 00			2,543 00	2,542 44	56	
State aid,		$368		368 00	368 00		
Water for fires,	2,100 00			2,100 00	2,100 00		
Memorial Day,	50 00			50 00	50 00		
Interest,	700 00		313 84	1,013 84	470 02	543 82	
State and county taxes,	11,000 00			11,000 00	11,547 00		$547
Tree warden,	500 00		270 00	770 00	504 44	265 56	
Town Hall,	500 00		1,012 25	1,512 25	1,454 18	58 07	
Expense of fire dept. com.,	200 00			200 00	200 00		
New fire apparatus, etc.,	5,000 00			5,000 00	3,908 88	1,091 12	
Totals,			$1,621 22	$27,582 22	$25,510 01	$2,619 21	$547

APPRAISMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1906.

Town House	$35,000 00
Town House, store fixtures . . .	450 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street . . .	5,000 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale . . .	950 00
Schoolhouse, Dutcher street . . .	35,000 00
High school building	7,000 00

Public library	$ 5,000 00
Bancroft Memorial library	30,000 00
Town Park property	20,000 00
New bath house	1,000 00
Pest house property	600 00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper fountain	15,000 00
Fire Department property	8,038 91
	$163,038 91

HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine	$ 500 00
Road scraper	25 00
Three snow plows	40 00
Small tools	80 00
Two watering-carts	475 00
Eleven standpipes	170 00
Road roller	90 00
Buildings	600 00
1-horse tip cart	50 00
	$2,030 00

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR 1906.

Memorial Day	$ 50 00
Incidentals	3,000 00
Interest	400 00
Street lights	2,543 00
Water for fire purposes	2,100 00
State and county taxes	12,000 00
Town Hall	500 00
Support of poor	1,200 00
Tree warden	500 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

By appropriation		$1,200 00
Amount received from Louis Lerke . .		51 68
Amount received from Mrs. Jane Bailey .		60 00
Amount received from State of Massachusetts, account Mrs. Lorenzo Lucini .		5 00
To William Hogarth and family .	$102 00	
C. F. Wilkinson, account Louis Lerke	12 97	
Wm. Johnston, account Louis Lerke	6 50	
W. H. Holbrook, account Louis Lerke	7 92	
Henry L. Patrick, account Louis Lerke	24 29	
Howes & Howes, crackers account tramps	5 01	
W. S. Hague, sundries . .	9 50	
Chester L. Clark, sundries . .	2 50	
George Z. Williams, account Mrs. Jane Bailey	37 75	
George W. Wood, account Mrs. Jane Bailey,	8 00	
Milford Hospital, account Mrs. Jane Bailey	5 50	
Dr. J. J. Duggan, account Mrs. Jane Bailey	3 00	
Town of Milford, account Mrs. Jane Bailey	3 75	
Dr. T. W. Munroe, account Mrs. Jane Bailey	2 00	
Town of Milford, account Curtis Claflin	156 00	
Town of Milford, account Henry Edmands	78 00	

Town of Milford, account Bridget Gaffney	$ 68 15	
Town of Brimfield, account Ralph Loomis	58 38	
J. M. French & Son, sundries .	1 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	724 46	
	$1,316 68	$1,316 68

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

No complaints.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Fence Viewers.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

There were 9 cases of scarlet fever, 1 case of diphtheria, and 1 case of typhoid fever, all of which received proper attention.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Board of Health.

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 31, 1905.

I have tested and sealed the following scales:—

5 Fairbanks Platform over 5000 lbs.
36 " " under 5000 lbs.
6 Hawes " " 5000 lbs.
6 Computing scales.
31 Counter balances.
3 Miscellaneous.

I have condemned 3 platform balances and two counter balances.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. W. WHEELER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

SOUTH MILFORD, Jan. 22, 1906.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE:—

Gentlemen: I submit to you my report for the year as inspector. A general inspection of all cattle and swine and the premises where the same were kept was made during the year 1905, and a written report of the condition of each barn and stable was sent to the state board of cattle commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,
WILFRED GASKILL,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$5,500 00
Material sold		81 08
Work for outside parties (labor and material)		1,429 93
Street railway tax, returned by state .		454 31
Rent of hose house		40 00
To labor	$5,124 41	
Material	1,849 33	
Draper Co.	18 80	
Estate of A. Morin . . .	1 95	
Milford Water Co. . . .	3 00	
Farrel Foundry & Machine Co. .	66 46	
G. & U. R. R. Co. . . .	3 65	
Cook & Sons	3 00	
Hopedale Stable Co. . . .	61 30	
John L. Smith, Agent . .	8 00	
Bishop & Heredeen . . .	14 45	
H. T. Heredeen . . .	7 05	
Howes & Howes . . .	3 35	
Hartford Steam Boiler Insurance Co.	42 50	
Henry Willard . . .	61 85	
Clark Ellis & Sons . . .	57 42	
H. A. Barney	21 85	
H. C. Davison & Co . . .	7 25	
John M. MacLauchlan . .	50 00	
Wm. Davoren . . .	15	
Unexpended balance . . .	99 55	
	$7,505 32	$7,505 32

STREET WATERING.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . .	.	$1,450 00
To running cart . . .	$591 00	
Milford Water Co. (water) . .	470 22	
Unexpended balance . . .	388 78	
	$1,450 00	$1,450 00

SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . .	.	$750 00
Draper Co. (concreting) . .	.	232 90
To labor	$662 85	
Material	167 93	
Hopedale Stable Co. . . .	66 72	
Snow & Farrington . . .	19 50	
H. T. Heredeen . . .	2 50	
Balance Unexpended . .	63 40	
	$982 90	$982 90

FREEDOM STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . .	.	$4,000 00
To labor	$ 297 34	
Material	1,260 22	
H. A. Barney	31 87	
Milford Water Co. . . .	18 46	
Hopedale Stable Co. . . .	63 00	
Town of Milford . . .	148 50	
Unexpended balance . . .	2,180 61	
	$4,000 00	$4,000 00

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENTS.	Appropriations.	Credits for Outside Work, etc.	Total Credits.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriation.
General repairs,	$5,500 00	$2,005 32	$7,505 32	$7,405 77	$ 99 55	
Street watering,	1,450 00		1,450 00	1,061 22	388 78	
Sidewalks,	750 00	232 92	982 90	919 50	63 40	
Freedom street,	4,000 00		4,000 00	1,819 39	2,180 61	
Totals,	$11,700 00	$2,238 24	$13,938 22	$11,205 88	$2,732 34	

We would call the attention of the tax payers to the unexpended balance of the Freedom street account. Our estimate of $4,000.00 was made on a basis of re-building the road, but it was decided later that in view of the comparatively light traffic over this street, equally satisfatory results could be obtained by a thorough re-surfacing and crowning. We believe the work is eminently successful.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. E. PIERCE,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
CLARE H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners, Town of Hopedale.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Report of the Board of Engineers of the Hopedale Fire Department for the Year Ending December 31, 1905, Giving a List and Value of Property, Names of Members, and Number of Fires.

PROPERTY.

One hose house	$1,000 00	
One hose wagon . . .	275 00	
One hose wagon . . .	75 00	
One hook and ladder truck (with ladders)	175 00	
4,450 ft. hose (4,100 ft. in good condition, 350 ft. unreliable) . .	1,050 00	
Arrow-gun and fire escape . .	10 00	
Three harnesses, shovels, etc. .	25 00	
Fire alarm telegraph complete .	1,400 00	
One electric chemical and equipments	3,828 91	
		$7,838 91

HYDRANTS.

Forty hydrants located as follows:—

Eight on Hopedale street.
Four on Adin street.
Three on West Main street.
Seven on Dutcher street.
Four on Freedom street.
One at counting room.
One near high school.
Two on Prospect street.
One in yard rear of foundry.
Four on Bancroft parkway.
Two on Progress street.
One on Cemetery street.
One on Hope street.
One in yard near screw shop.

ENGINEERS.

George W. Jenkins, chief, Charles E. Pierce, 1st assistant,
Fred B. Sweet, clerk and treasurer.

MEMBERS.

Hose 2.

Fred G. Crockett, foreman,
M. Higgiston, 1st assistant,
P. J. Manuel, 2d assistant,
C. W. Wheeler, clerk,
Fred Farrington,
Allan Whitney.

Hose 3.

J. B. Chapin, foreman and treasurer,
W. N. Draper, 2d assistant,
E. J. Knox,
Henry Crawford,
W. F. Durgin,
George Bayley,
J. E. Andrew, 1st assistant,
W. C. Hastings, clerk,
F. L. Arnold,
W. E .Whitney,
T. H. Craddock,
J. C. Mathews,
George D. Hamant.

PAY OF MEMBERS, INCIDENTALS, ETC.

By appropriation . . .	$1,875 00	
Sale of old zincs and coppers .	14 68	
Sale of old hose . . .	7 00	
		$1,896 68
To pay of chief	$ 73 04	
Pay of engineers . . .	96 04	
Pay of Hose 2	187 45	
Pay of Hose 3	371 00	
Robert Ross, fire police . .	20 00	
W. H. Nelson, electrician . .	120 00	
C. H. Bagley, steward . .	50 00	
E. S. Stimpson, poll tax of department	39 20	
Hopedale Stable, fuel . . .	44 43	
Milford Water Co., water rent .	11 00	
Milford Gas Light Co., lighting .	22 77	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone rent	56 28	
Wm. Davoren, express and carting .	11 02	
W. E. Decrow, 1 pair No. 4 magnets	6 50	
Draper Co., sundries . . .	4 51	

Hopedale Stable, man at barn .	$329 50	
Hopedale Stable, teams to fires .	49 00	
Hopedale Supply and Mfg. Co., printing	3 25	
F. B. Sweet, express and postage .	3 19	
Hopedale Supply and Mfg. Co., order book	12 00	
H. H. Lent, repairs hose house .	42 21	
J. T. Crowell, 24 straps . .	8 40	
Bishop & Heredeen, repairs H & L truck	9 34	
Edes Mfg. Co., zincs . . .	32 70	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., glass jars .	4 50	
P. J. Manuel, sundries . .	65	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., wire .	1 58	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., blue rock .	58 50	
W. E. Decrow, repairing magnets .	4 27	
H. L. Patrick, soda, etc. . .	9 69	
Tewksbury & Weir, changing fire alarm	1 18	
H. K. Barnes, repairing extinguishers, etc.	10 99	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., coppers .	4 00	
L. German, labor . . .	1 23	
Charles Bagley, sponge . .	40	
Norris, Staples & Gould, stove, pipe, etc.	30 34	
Martin Burke, setting glass . .	60	
J. M. French & Son, teams to fires .	5 00	
Highway Department, rent No. 2 hose house	40 00	
Milford E. L. & P. Co., electricity .	9 07	
Balance unexpended . . .	111 85	
		$1,896 68

BRUSH FIRES.

By appropriation		$100 00
To Geo. Bayley, 5 hours' labor . .	$ 1 25	
P. J. Manuel, 5 " " . .	1 25	

F. B. Sweet, money expended . .	$ 35	
H. K. Barnes, 1 gross bottles . .	10 00	
C. W. Wheeler, 4 hours' labor . .	1 00	
W. F. Durgin, ½ day Italian . .	75	
W. J. Kelly, 2 hours' labor . .	50	
J. M. French & Son, teams . .	4 50	
Balance unexpended . . .	80 40	
		$100 00

HOSE.

By appropriation		$200 00
To C. Callahan Co., 300 ft. Mayflower hose	$156 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	44 00	
		$200 00

RECAPITULATION.

By general appropriation		$1,875 00
Old zincs, coppers and hose sold . .		21 68
Appropriation for hose . . .		200 00
Appropriation for brush fires . . .		100 00
To pay of members, and engineers .	$956 73	
Incidentals	828 10	
Expenditures for hose . . .	156 00	
Expenditures for brush fires . .	19 60	
Balance unexpended . . .	236 25	
	$2,196 68	$2,196 68

RECORD OF FIRES.

March 29.—Brush fire, Spindleville on land of Albert Gaskill.

March 31.—Brush fire, park land. Box 45 rung in.

April 2.—Brush fire, rear of Peace street on land of F. J. Dutcher.

April 10.—Box 62. Roof fire at Bishop & Heredeen's shop.

April 21.—Box 38. House of Draper Co., Dutcher and Northrop streets.

April 30.—Brush fire, rear Freedom street, land of W. F. Draper.

October 4.—Box 42. Residence of W. S. Hague, Bancroft parkway.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

Box 25.—Yard of Draper Company, near counting-room.
Box 26.—Hopedale street, corner of hose house.
Box 32.—Dutcher street, corner of Dennett street.
Box 38.—Dutcher street, corner of Freedom street.
Box 42.—Bancroft parkway.
Box 45.—Freedom street west of dam.
Box 53.—Hopedale street, corner of Adin street.
Box 57.—Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.
Box 59.—Main street, near house of S. A. Andrew.
Box 62.—Hopedale street, corner of Main street.
Box 64.—Westcott's Mills, Spindleville.
School signal, 22, near counting-room.

Keys at houses near boxes.

The engineers desire to call the attention of the town to the fact that the department has outgrown the hose house and beside being much too small for the present equipment is badly in need of repairs and should be painted inside and out.

For 1906 we would recommend the following appropriations:—

General appropriation	$1,875 00
Brush fires	100 00
New hose	200 00

All equipments of the department are in good working order.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. JENKINS,
CHAS. E. PIERCE,
FRED B. SWEET,
Board of Engineers.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land . . .	$1,187,075 00	
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings . .	250,514 00	
Total valuation of real estate .	$1,437,589 00	
Total valuation of personal estate	3,610,093 00	
Total valuation		$5,047,682 00
Increase in 1905 . . .		318,520 00
Tax rate per 1000 . . .		9 50
Tax on property		$47,952 97
Number of polls taxed . .	714	
Tax on each . . .	$2.00	
Tax on polls		1,428 00
Total amount raised by taxation . .		$49,380 97
Bank tax for 1905		7,730 84
Corporation tax for 1905		7,425 80
Street railway tax		326 72
Available tax . . .		$64,864 33
Increase in 1905		2,553 78
Number of persons assessed . . .		811
Number of persons assessed on property . .		243
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only . .		593
Number of polls assessed		714
Number of horses assessed		131
Number of cows assessed		94

Number of neat cattle assessed	5
Number of swine assessed	4
Number of dwelling houses	356
Acres of land assessed . . .	2,800 A. 155 Rods.
Population	1,968
Increase of population over last year . . .	42

WILLIAM BANCROFT,
H. W. BRACKEN,
WILLIAM S. HAGUE,
Board of Assessors.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

	Dr.	Cr.
1900.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$ 460 00	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 2 00
Taxes abated		458 00
	$460 00	$460 00
1901.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$411 92	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 5 67
Taxes abated		406 25
	$411 92	$411 92
1902.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$239 00	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 2 00
Taxes abated		237 00
	$239 00	$239 00
1903.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$275 73	
Interest	52	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 6 75
Taxes abated		269 50
	$276 25	$276 25
1904.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$220 55	
Interest	3 11	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		80 61
Taxes abated		63 55
Uncollected taxes . . .		79 50
	$223 66	$223 66

1904.

Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Street Railway Co. . . .	$51 25	
Interest	76	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$52 01
	$52 01	$52 01
Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co.	$75 58	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		75 58
	$75 58	$75 58

STAMP TAX.

Henry L. Patrick . . .	$15 00	
W. N. Draper	1 10	
Howes & Howes	1 46	
John Hilton	1 72	
	$19 28	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$19 28
	$19 28	$19 28

1905.

To taxes committed for collection .	$49,380 97	
Interest	32	
By discount		$ 967 69
Cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer .		48,137 22
Taxes abated		4 00
Taxes uncollected . . .		272 38
	$49,381 29	$49,381 29
Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co.	$159 76	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$159 76
	$159 76	$159 76
Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Street Railway Co. . .	$50 63	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$50 63
	$50 63	$50 63

EDWARD S. STIMPSON, Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1905 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts. The treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

ADIN A. MESSINGER,
Auditor.

ONE OF THE PATHS.

A HOT DAY IN JULY.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1905.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

FRANK J. DUTCHER,	Term Expires 1906.
CHARLES F. ROPER,	" " 1907.
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,	" " 1908.

REPORT.

By general appropriation . . .			$2,500 00
Received for wood			412 75
Received for labor			111 40
Received for rental of bath house lockers .			9 00
To plans and surveys:—			
Warren H. Manning . .		$ 50 00	
Grading and seeding:—			
Labor and teaming (grading and finishing lot next Draper Co. property) . . .		379 02	
Fertilizer:—			
Clark Ellis & Sons . .		64 70	
Roads and paths:—			
Labor and teaming . .		441 49	
Incidentals:—			
Clark Ellis & Sons, lawn hose, etc., . .	$ 26 01		
G. M. Billings, printing .	11 00		
Draper Company, labor, etc.	47 73		
Wm. Johnston & Co., teaming . . .	2 25		
W. H. Johnson, teaming .	72 00		
O. J. Cole, drawing wood	28 00		
John L. Mead, bird feed .	2 38		
Chas. E. Lauriat & Co., book . . .	57		
J. M. French & Son, loam and mowing . .	55 08		
Howes & Howes, grain .	17 82		
Wright & Ditson, athletic goods . . .	29 80		
Harrington, King & Co., life preservers . .	5 00		

Adams Express Company	$ 1 35		
C. B. Merrill & Co., dirt tennis courts . .	250 00		
J. H. Sherman, carpentry	65 90		
Cook & Sons, printing .	13 50		
Tewksbury & Weir, electric work . .	11 87		
H. M. Curtiss, marble dust	2 25		
R. C. Eldridge, clock .	2 25		
L. A. Lamson & Son, comb	25		
W. F. Durgin, expenses .	1 40		
Bishop & Heredeen, blacksmithing . .	1 90		
		$ 648 31	
Bath house:—			
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., stain for inside of building . . .	$28 35		
J. H. Sherman, additional dressing rooms . .	16 25		
		44 60	
Tools:—			
Clark Ellis & Sons . .		76 65	
Pay roll:—			
E. D. Bancroft, treasurer . .		1,326 00	
		$3,030 77	
Balance unexpended . . .		2 38	
		$3,033 15	$3,033 15

The general work done on the park property during the year includes improvements at the bath house, the interior of which has been stained, and in which additional dressing rooms have been furnished. A float and spring board have been provided. Sand was drawn onto the ice during the winter, so that it could settle and furnish a better bottom for the bathers. With the co-operation of ladies offering their services as matrons, we arranged for use of the bath house

facilities by women and girls two afternoons each week. During the season there were 3100 baths taken by males, 222 by females. The largest number in one day for males was 116, for females 37. The smallest number on any day was 12 for males, and five for females. The bath house was only open for use by women on August 3rd, or the number of bathers for females would have been much larger. The bath house has certainly proved a highly appreciated utility.

There having been frequent accidents on the pond during the skating season, the park commissioners wish it distinctly understood that they take no responsibility whatever for safety of the ice at any time. We have, however, placed several large planks at various points on the shore, to be used in assisting those breaking through the ice, and one of these planks has already been of material service.

The erecting of tenements near the bath house made it necessary to do considerable grading to match with the changes and improvements on the adjoining territory. The changes are extensive and make a marked betterment in both properties.

During the year we have arranged a complete system of pathways on the eastern side of the pond from the bath house to the 'second bridge' so called, with a branch from Dutcher street and connecting side path loops. Care has been taken to provide dry footing through the swamps and brooks, and this whole region is now available for foot passengers at any period of the year. We find many availing themselves of the opportunity to use these paths, and thereby form acquaintance with a very interesting portion of the park reservation.

On the playground, we have built two dirt tennis courts of the most approved construction, and they have been well patronized throughout the season. There is usually a large waiting list of those desirous of using the courts, both afternoon and evening.

The care of the various park properties owned by the town involves continuous supervision, and our park superintendent also serves as a police official, providing the upper part of the town with police protection at the expense of the

park department. He also has been appointed a deputy game warden. We call attention to the fact that hunting is not allowed on the park properties, and that the superintendent has orders to arrest anyone killing game of any kind on the property, or for bringing weapons into the park property. A large amount of labor is necessarily employed in keeping the play-ground in proper shape during the summer, and labor is used to advantage in the winter in thinning out trees and brush on the woodland property. This latter labor practically pays for itself through the wood sold.

Some grading and filling is still required on the land between the pond and Dutcher street, opposite the play-ground. We need a new band-stand, the present one having been built for temporary use only. At some future time it may be advisable to have a boat house under control of the commissioners, and on the park property, but we have no immediate recommendation to make in this line.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. ROPER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER,
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,
Board of Park Commissioners.

Twentieth Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1905.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

HOWARD W. BRACKEN, Chairman . . . 1906
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary . . . 1907
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER 1908

HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent.

[Office hours: Dutcher street building, Thursdays 3 to 5.]

TRUANT OFFICERS.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR, SAMUEL SNODGRASS,
SILAS A. STAPLES.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 16.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR.

REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of the School Department.

General appropriation . . .	$14,500 00	
Supplies sold	3 61	
		$14,503 61

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Teaching :—	
Hopedale, including high school .	$8,508 00
South Hopedale . . .	526 00
Care of buildings :—	
Hopedale	1,152 54
South Hopedale . . .	42 00
Fuel :—	
Hopedale	1,317 89
South Hopedale . . .	27 00
Text-books and supplies . .	486 53
Repairs :—	
Hopedale :	
Draper Co., material, labor, etc. .	169 56
Clark Ellis & Sons, hardware, etc.	10 79
Charles C. Minsch & Co., labor and material painting and tinting brick schoolhouse . .	415 85
T. E. Morse Co., painting high school building . . .	41 05
George A. Barnard, material and labor repairing slate roof .	80 89
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	23 32
South Hopedale :—	
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	12 07

Supervision :—		
Herbert F. Taylor . . .	$616 70	
Transportation	527 08	
Improvements :—		
G. E. Stimpson, chairs . .	21 00	
Draper Co., drawing tables . .	104 38	
Incidentals :—		
Clark Ellis & Sons, hardware, etc. .	40 82	
Tewksbury & Weir, electrical supplies	6 91	
Milford Water Co., water . .	112 72	
Draper Co., supplies . . .	20 60	
E. F. Lilley, repairing clocks .	3 50	
S. B. Lyon, tuning pianos . .	15 00	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . .	21 76	
W. D. Creighton, repairing and painting flag poles . .	25 00	
G. M. Billings, printing . .	25 75	
L. A. Lamson & Son, supplies .	12 10	
H. F. Taylor, traveling expenses and supplies . . .	45 84	
J. M. French & Son, carting ashes .	11 38	
John H. Tearle, work on diplomas .	1 41	
J. L. Hammett Co., school certificates	3 00	
Howes & Howes, supplies . .	5 47	
Blodgett Clock Co., repairing clocks	20 41	
Milford Daily News, printing .	3 00	
Avery & Woodbury, supplies .	2 53	
Cook & Sons, printing . .	5 70	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., chemical supplies	31 28	
A. F. Lewis Mfg. Co., book holders	2 00	
Joseph A. Moore, book . .	2 00	
R. Folger, rubber stamp . .	27	
Balance unexpended . . .	2 51	
	$14,503 61	$14,503 61

This report includes all bills for the year 1905 up to the time of the annual make up.

For the work accomplished by the schools, we refer as usual to the report of the Superintendent.

We recommend for the year 1906 the same appropriation as last year, namely, $14,500, this to include the Kindergarten, the transportation of children from South Hopedale, and all regular school expenses.

For the School Committee,

FRANK J. DUTCHER,
Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of Hopedale:—

I herewith submit my fourth annual report, which is the twelfth report of the superintendent of schools.

There have been no startling innovations or revolutionary changes in the Hopedale schools during the past year. We are still using Colburn's Mental Arithmetic and are giving a large share of the time to fundamentals. While the progress has been along conservative lines, it has been none the less marked. This is particularly true of the high school. The addition of a third teacher on part time has enabled us to improve the course of study by adding German and a thorough review of mathematics. It has added to the length of the recitation periods, and decreased the number of subjects each teacher has had to prepare, thereby making each teacher's work more effective. The natural result has been increased enthusiasm on the part of the pupils, and fewer failures to attain the high standard set. There have been no withdrawals, and of those who entered last fall without conditions, none have failed to do the required work.

The size of the entering class, bringing the school to nearly fifty members, has emphasized the fact that the building will soon have to be enlarged to meet the demands put upon it. As our present ninth grade is small, the enlargement can well be postponed for a year at least.

To secure greater efficiency in the management of the grammar school the eighth and ninth grades have been seated together, and while no attempt has been made to make the teaching in those grades departmental, the change has given the principal more time to attend to the routine duties devolving on a principal.

A definite attempt has been made the past year to strengthen the force of moral instruction in our schools. At

a teachers' meeting the moral value of each subject in the course was pointed out, and the teachers were urged to prepare each lesson with this value clearly in mind. In this department of instruction, however, the teachers are powerless to affect the best results without the help of the parents. As an illustration of this need for co-operation I would mention the growing practice among the boys of playing marbles "for keeps." Were the financial gain or loss the only feature of this evil, it would be unworthy of mention in a report of this kind. Could the parents witness a game of "skinny" in progress, note the tricks employed to be a winner rather than a looser, hear the loud, often profane conversation incident to the game, see the older boys win the marbles of the smaller ones, I am certain they would not only forbid their sons to play for keeps, but would refuse to furnish the "sinews of war." I have no wish to make mountains out of mole hills, but I would submit this question to thoughtful parents. Isn't it better to send your boy into the world protected from the allurements of graft, get-rich-quick concerns and bucket shops by his conscience rather than by legislative enactment? Should the answer be "Yes" we bespeak your aid lest the tendencies of the boy become the habits of the man.

A pleasing and profitable feature of the work the past year has been the gathering of the teachers in the joint district to be addressed on some practical topic by superintendents from neighboring towns. Three such meetings were held. The speakers and their topics were Supt. F. S. Brick of Uxbridge on "The Automatic Principle in Education," Supt. S. F. Blodgett of Framingham on "School Room Problems," and Supt. V. V. Thompson of Hopkinton on "Geography."

There have been but two changes in the teaching force, Miss Phemister resigning from South Hopedale to accept a position at Medford, her home city, and Miss Herrick severing her connection with our schools in June. Miss Edith I. Merriam was elected to the vacancy at South Hopedale, and Miss Josephine W. Chute was elected to the double position

of teacher of drawing in the grades and assistant teacher at the high school.

I desire to express my appreciation of the faithful work of all the teachers, and to thank them for loyalty and assistance.

The thanks of the teachers are also tendered the townspeople for the success of the Art Exhibition recently held, whereby a goodly sum was raised for schoolroom decoration.

The appended statistics require little comment. The most gratifying features are the marked decrease in the tardy marks and increase in the number of visitors.

I wish to thank the members of the committee for many courtesies, and the citizens for encouragement and good will.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. TAYLOR,
Superintendent of Schools.

MUSIC TEACHER'S REPORT.

Mr. H. F. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:—

In compliance with your request I herewith give a brief account of my work the past year. The course in music has been conducted along the same lines as formerly, there being few new departures. We have kept the same aim in view, and a spirit of willingness to co-operate in reaching our ideal, has been manifested among the teachers.

The lessons of the week are always carefully planned previous to their presentation, and a record kept of the work accomplished by each class.

Great care has been urged upon the pupils to secure a smooth, beautiful tone, rather than a volume of sound.

The importance of the first years of work in music cannot be over-estimated. Each year children enter our schools who are unable to sing more than two or three notes. Experience has proved that these little ones can be taught to sing the scale in good tune, besides learning many songs before they leave the primary grade.

Occasionally there is a pupil without power to locate the tones of the scale, or to comprehend their relationship. Such find little pleasure in music, for the enjoyment does not come from the mere naming of notes, but from the ability to hear and reproduce the tones represented by the notes.

However, the majority of pupils find much pleasure in their school music, and as a rule I am pleased with the enthusiasm which prevails, and the progress shown.

The earnest, faithful efforts of the teachers have been an inspiration to the scholars, and a great help to the special teacher.

Hours for music lessons remain the same as on previous years. It would be gratifying if the parents and friends would visit us occasionally and see for themselves what we are doing.

LILLIAN WOOD.

DRAWING TEACHER'S REPORT.

Hopedale, February 13, 1906.

Mr. Herbert F. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:—

Drawing is so taught now all over the country that a new supervisor need make few changes in the general plan of the work.

In the primary grades the work includes representation of flowers, animals, and toys, things of particular interest to the young child, and simple compositions in design.

The intermediate and grammar grades deal more seriously with representation, studying proportions more carefully, and in the upper grades the principles of perspective. In these grades simple mechanical work is done, and the principles of design studied and applied.

At the high school the first year is spent on general work, and this year we have given particular attention to historic ornament in correlation with the history classes.

The upper class work includes water-color, charcoal and mechanical drawing. Throughout the grades some time is given to picture study, two artists being selected for each grade.

The work in Hopedale shows the efforts of good supervisors and teachers. The materials furnished are adequate, and the work ought to be kept up to a high standard.

I wish to thank you and the teachers for your kind co-operation the short time I have been with you.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE W. CHUTE.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 30, 1905.

MR. HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:—

Five cases of truancy have required my services during the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufactories.

Respectfully yours,

SILAS A. STAPLES,
Truant Officer.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1905.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	WHERE FITTED.
High,			
Principal,	Arthur C. Johnson,	Nov., 1902,	Harvard University.
Assistant,	Edith Goddard,	Sept., 1903,	Rhode Island State College Bridgewater Normal.
Dutcher street,			
Principal, Grade 9	J. Angelina Smith,	Jan., 1900,	Framingham Normal.
Grade 8,	Bertha M. Rogers,	Sept., 1903,	Worcester Normal.
Grade 7,	Mary Forbes,	Sept., 1904,	Nova Scotia Academy.
Grade 6,	Alice S. Morrison,	Sept., 1902,	Smith College.
Grade 5,	Eliza D. Howes,	Sept., 1901,	Hyannis Normal.
Grade 4,	Florence A. Belding,	Feb., 1904,	Fitchburg Normal.
Grade 3,	Kate B. Cristman,	Feb., 1900,	Framingham Normal.
Grade 2,	Cora A. Day,	Sept., 1901,	Fitchburg Normal.
Grade 1,	Ellen H. McNair,	Sept., 1902,	Framingham Normal.
Kindergarten,	Anna B. Carter,	Sept., 1898,	Wheelock School.
	Mabel F. Andrew,	June, 1897,	Wheelock School.
South Hopedale,	Edith I. Merriam,	Sept., 1905,	Hopedale High.
Drawing,	Josephine W. Chute,	Sept., 1905,	Fitchburg Normal.
Music,	Lillian E. Wood,	Sept., 1899.	

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1905-1906.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 11, 1905	Dec. 15	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 23	Apr. 9'06	June 15
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 5, 1905	Dec. 15	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 30	Apr. 9'06	June 15
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 5, 1905	Dec. 22	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 30	Apr. 9'06	June 22

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, April 19, May 30.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1906-1907.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 10, 1906	Dec. 14	Dec. 31 '06	Mar. 22'07	Apr. 8'07	June 14
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 4, 1906	Dec. 14	Dec. 31 '06	Mar. 29'07	Apr. 8'07	June 14
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 4, 1906	Dec. 21	Dec. 31 '06	Mar. 29'07	Apr. 8'07	June 21

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, April 19, May 30.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SEPTEMBER, 1904, TO JUNE, 1905.

ENROLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.	KINDERGARTEN.	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	GRADE IX.	HIGH.	SOUTH HOPEDALE.	SUMMARY (Exclusive of Kindergarten).
Total enrolment . .	29	46	32	32	28	28	31	29	20	30	43	33	352
Average number belonging	25.21	37.46	28.50	29.66	26.09	27.37	30.63	26.79	15.12	24.06	34.8	27.79	308.27
Average daily attendance	22.35	34.29	27.04	27.77	24 49	25.84	29.31	24.97	14.28	22.87	33	25.27	289.13
Per cent. of attendance .	88.66	91.56	94.88	93.62	93 87	94.49	95.69	93.19	94.44	95.05	94.8	90.85	93.79
Total days of absence .	510	576	258	350	274	273.5	241.5	350	159	239	360	423.5	3504.5
Cases of tardiness . .	24	28	20	6	6	9	9	11	1	18	48	23	179
Cases of dismissal . .	1	8	9	12	7	18	33	33	2	25	57	16	220
Cases of truancy . .	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Cases of corporal punishment	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	3	0	0	13
Visits by Superintendent .	26	11	18	18	21	24	32	17	16	20	19	16	212
Visits by others . .	88	42	35	50	25	26	18	50	14	31	28	29	348

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Number under five years of age (Kindergarten)	7	9	16
Number between 5 and 15	152	155	307
Number between 7 and 14	99	118	217
Number over 15	24	30	54
School Census, September 1, 1905:—			
Number of children in town between 5 and 15	152	158	310
Number of children in town between 7 and 14	105	112	217
Population of town, May 1, 1905	.	.	1968
Per cent. of children between 5 and 15 to total population	.	.	15.7

ROLL OF HONOR.

EIGHTEEN TERMS.

Silas Williams—High.

NINE TERMS.

Harold L. Brown—Grade VIII.
Hattie Durgin—Grade VII.

EIGHT TERMS.

Walter Pickard—Grade V.

SIX TERMS.

Elizabeth A. Noyes—Grade IX.
Raymond Sadler—Grade VI.
Vincent Fagan—Grade II.

THREE TERMS.

George E. Clifford—High.

Estella G. Stafford, Gertrude Williams—Grade VIII.

Ruth Stafford, Milton Leonard, Gordon Andrew—Grade VII.

Mildred Rockwood—Grade VI.

Frank O'Neil—Grade V.

Jeanne Butterworth, Raphael J. Markham, Earle Johnson—Grade III.

George Nichols, Freeman Shepherd—Grade I.

Beatrice Fagan—Kindergarten.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

Irene H. Kellogg, Percy W. Pickard—High.

Wilfred B. Pickard—Grade IX.

Marion Albee, Ethel F. Lyford—Grade VII.

Gertrude Crawford, Florence Dow—Grade VI.

Mildred Nutting—Grade IV.

Margaret F. Dillon, May Noyes, Pearl C. Sweet, Mortimer C. Dennett, Harding Hamant, Andrew J. Martin, Walter

R. Miller, Raymond A. Piper, Samuel W. Piper—Grade III.
George Shepherd—Grade II.

FALL TERM.

Helen I. Sadler, Sophia A. Greenwood, Willard F. Henry, Edith W. Lowell, Gertrude M. Rockwell, Eleonora M. Sonne—High.

Clifton S. Albee, Arthur D. Durgin, Norman S. Henry, Florence E. Forbes, Viola E. Tracy—Grade IX.

Hazel B. Brown, Leila E. Fiske, Ethel M. Jenkins, Bertha M. Meade, Ethel Northrop, Fred A. Farrington—Grade VIII.

Elsie Dow, Frank Bromley, Henry Carlson, Charles Dion, Franklin Clark—Grade VI.

Ada Andrew, Mildred Andrew, Pearl Bunker, Carrie Durgin, Ethel Knight, Esther Lincoln—Grade V.

Thurston Carlson, Harold Hogarth, Marie Gaskill, Agatha Ranahan, Marjorie Rockwood—Grade IV.

Nellie M. Knight, Donald A. McCaslin, Harold Spaulding—Grade III.

Gladys Davis, Gladys Galloway, Ruth Hunter, Maisie Moore, Gertrude Spaulding, Hazel Watson, Harland Gaskill, Arthur Rockwood—Grade II.

Albert Andrew, Harold Dargin, Earl Spaulding, Bernice Davis, Ruth Macomber—Grade I.

Thomas Mathews, Herbert A. Pickard, Helen Gaskill, Helen Monahan, Inez Macomber—Kindergarten.

Esther A. Knights, Gladys G. Gardiner, Wilder O. Gardiner, William F. Gardiner—South Hopedale.

WINTER TERM.

Helen I. Sadler, Warren Henry, Clayton W. Gaskill—High.

Clifton S. Albee, Harry C. Steele—Grade IX.

Irene D. Gaskill—Grade VIII.

Margaret Burke, Harry Crawford—Grade VI.

Bessie Willard—Grade V.

Harry Davis, Harold Hogarth—Grade IV.

Goldie Gilmore—Grade II.

Harriet M. Albee, Leslie E. Albee, Milton M. Bates—South Hopedale.

SPRING TERM.

Willard F. Henry—High.

Clifford E. Cook, Norman S. Henry, Wendell D. Howie, William E. Scriven—Grade IX.

Bertha M. Meade, Fred A. Farrington—Grade VIII.

Marion Cook, Ada Munyon, Grace Tillotson, Harold Jordan—Grade VII.

Beatrice Britten, Elsie Dow, Charles Dion, Edgar Markham, Horace Tillotson, Ernest Wilbur—Grade VI.

Bessie Dow, Carrie Durgin, Florence McArdle, Marion Tarbox—Grade V.

James Bunker, Winburn Dennett, Walter Tillotson—Grade IV.

Mary Cundy, Gladys Galloway, May Metcalf, Mary Monahan, Alice Roeltgen, Warren Cundy, Arthur Rockwood, Charles Draper, Kendall Dunn—Grade II.

Earl Harvey, Fred Johnson, Stanley McCaslin, Manford Sweet, Persis Arey, Dorothy Brooks, Helen Burke, Edith Forbes—Grade I.

George A. Draper, Thomas Mathews, Herbert A. Pickard, Helen Butterworth, May Crawford, Helen Gaskill—Kindergarten.

Isabelle Johnson—South Hopedale.

GRADUATION EXERCISES,

CLASS OF 1905,

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL,

Friday Evening, June 16, 1905.

Song—"Praise Ye the Father," . . . . . Gounod

Prayer . . . . . .
Rev. Frank W. Pratt.

Song—"The Night Bells," . . . . . Vincent

Address—"Off Soundings," . . . . . .
Superintendent Walter H. Small, Providence, R. I.

Song—The Two Grenadiers," . . . . . Schumann

Presentation of Diplomas . . . . . .

Song—"To Thee, O Country" . . . . . .

GRADUATES.

Classical Course.

EDITH MEDORA CHICHESTER, LETTY LUCILE DAVIS.

Latin Scientific Course.

ETHEL GESSNER ROCKWELL, HELEN IRENE SADLER.

English Course.

GRACE AMANDA HENRY.

Class Motto—En Avant.

Class Color—Harvard Red. *Class Flower—White Rose.*

Twentieth Annual Report

OF THE

Bancroft Memorial Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1905.

TRUSTEES.

ANNA M. BANCROFT, Chairman,	Term expires		1908
EDWARD L. OSGOOD,	"	"	1906
FRANK H. FRENCH,	"	"	1907

LIBRARIAN AND SECRETARY FOR THE TRUSTEES.

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.

ASSISTANTS.

EMMA L. DAVIS,

LUCY E. DAY, FLORA MESSINGER,

JANITOR.

F. A. SPAULDING.

The trustees wish to impress upon the inhabitants of the town that a public library is the proper place in which to deposit any manuscript or printed matter of any kind, whether book, pamphlet, report, notice, poster, handbill or newspaper, that contains any direct or indirect reference to Hopedale. If each citizen will bear this in mind and do his share in the matter, the library will eventually contain a more complete history of our town than can be made in any other way.

The trustees will furthermore welcome any suggestion that will in any way increase the usefulness of the library.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The trustees of The Bancroft Memorial Library respectfully submit the twentieth annual report.

With the exception of 1904, this has been the most successful year in the life of the library. The circulation was 19,879, a little smaller than last year, and this may be accounted for by the fact that the hours have been longer at the shops, and from reports from other towns and cities we see that greater prosperity in business makes smaller circulation of books in the libraries.

During 1905 as in 1904 nearly one fifth of all books issued were juvenile, showing what a very important department this is, and we would ask from the parents continued and increased interest and co-operation. This department has received great care from the librarian and she is always prepared to give assistance to the parents in guiding the reading of the children, as well here as in every other department. The children have been given special instruction in finding books, so they may be able later, as well as now, to use the library to the greatest advantage.

The Library Art Club sent us nine exhibits: Australia; Prang platinettes; New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; Fourteen famous masterpieces; Representative art; Velasquez; Florence No. 2; Holland and British School in the National Gallery. The interest in these exhibits seems sufficient to warrant a continuance of our membership in the club. Many have visited the library for the sake of these pictures and the collections have in most cases been excellent sources of education.

We had a second exhibition of amateur photography and this year proved more successful than the one preceding; 309 pictures were exhibited and 804 people visited the library during the two weeks of the exhibit—a larger number than last year. The exhibitors were J. H. Henry, J. J. Emig, Mr

and Mrs. F. E. Ball, A. E. Stafford, E. A. Bragg and Warren Henry. Many of the pictures were most artistic, some of them in colors. The scenes were varied, and they were not only of local and personal interest, but many were of national interest.

By reason of the generous gift of Mrs. C. L. Bailey of a valuable collection of seventy-two books on technical subjects, which were put upon the shelves the early part of the year, it was thought wise not to purchase more technical books during the year.

As reported a year ago, an effort has been made to collect all possible local history and whatever was written by Rev. Adin Ballou. The failing health of Rev. Wm. S. Heywood somewhat retarded the latter, but Mrs. Heywood has already contributed some books and intends giving us further assistance. We shall be very glad of donations of any books or pamphlets from his pen and our set of the Practical Christian is far from complete. We would also be grateful for donations of numbers of "Church Home," for Field Day programs 1903-1904-1905, and for Roundabout club programs before 1899.

We have had presented us this year by Mr. J. B. Bancroft, who presented the library and its furnishings, a fine bookcase, made to match the woodwork and the fancy glass already in the building. In this we keep certain valuable books and collections of pictures now owned by the library. We have also received an etching of the famous Canterbury Pilgrims by William Hole, presented by Anna M. Bancroft and Mary Bancroft Winsor, and this hangs in the trustees' room.

During the year we adopted the very common method of charging on the card the date a book is due, instead of date of taking the book, as we had previously done, and find it a great improvement, as all confusion and misunderstanding of dates is thus settled.

Because of the care of the fountain, which was placed with the trustees of the library, it became necessary to have a permanent janitor whose full time could be given to the work of the library and the fountain. By this plan more

careful work can be demanded, the fires can be run much more satisfactorily, and the janitor can assist the librarian by doing much work which formerly was done by outside help. F. A. Spaulding was secured as janitor, his work has been most satisfactory and his services are more and more valuable each month.

The marriage of Ella Knight and the college work of Edith Chichester deprive us of two assistants whose work has always been most intelligent and satisfactory. Emma L. Davis, Lucy Day and Flora Messinger continue to do able work when their services are required.

The work about the building and the fountain as planned by Mr. Manning, the landscape gardener, is not quite completed.

We have added to the library 322 volumes by purchase, 36 volumes by binding and 156 volumes by gift, a total of 514 volumes, so by actual count we have upon the shelves on the main floor of the building 8223 volumes.

We report with great pleasure the continuance of the services of our able librarian. Miss Sornborger is efficient, interested, untiring and devoted, and under her able management the library is a growing power in our town.

A. M. BANCROFT,
For the Trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1905.

Receipts:—			
Appropriation		$2,300 00	
Proceeds dog tax		227 66	
Fines, etc.		81 75	
Books sold		41 68	
Interest on Bancroft Fund		40 00	
			$2,691 09
Expenditures:—			
Books:—			
Appropriation	$408 34		
Interest, Bancroft Fund	40 00		
		$ 448 34	

Periodicals	132 75	
Binding	145 37	
Salaries	1,041 02	
Lighting	284 25	
Heating	327 00	
Supplies	44 46	
Printing	17 75	
Express	20 69	
Water	12 00	
Labor	29 91	
Waxing floor	29 15	
Library Art club	5 00	
Repair of heater	67 20	
" " screens	17 06	
" " roof	42 64	
" " batteries and electric lights	4 50	
Ash cans	22 00	
		$2,691 09

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF FOUNTAIN ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1905.

Receipts:—		
Appropriation		$700 00
Expenditures:—		
Care	$110 00	
Water	57 02	
Landscape gardener	62 68	
Supplies, shrubs, planting, etc.	470 30	
		$700 00

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading-Room.	
	1904.	1905.	1904.	1905.
January,	1,945	2,036	721	885
February,	1,891	1,683	738	856
March,	2,049	1,900	864	863
April,	1,961	1,732	671	767
May,	1,461	1,492	571	651
June,	1,529	1,341	548	621

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading-Room.	
	1904.	1905.	1904.	1905.
July,	1,562	1,326	621	641
August,	1,508	1,330	774	759
September,	1,560	1,678	854	716
October,	1,808	1,696	822	782
November,	2,074	1,816	910	797
December,	1,816	1,849	1,050	1,225
	21,164	19,879	9,144	9,563

Sunday visitors to reading-room	350
Total number of visitors to reading-room	9,913
Card-holders	1,000
Card-holders registered in 1905	224
Cards withdrawn, 1905	224
Volumes in library	10,920
Added during year:—	
By purchase, new	322
By purchase, to replace worn copies	32
By binding	36
By gift	156
	546

Per cent of fiction circulated, 69.
Fines, $78.77.

Books Purchased with the Interest of the Bancroft Fund.

Courses of reading and study in the New International Encyclopædia.
Julian's Dictionary of Hymnology.
Standard Dictionary.
Sturgis's Dictionary of Architecture and Building.

GIFTS.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Bancroft, Miss A. M.	4		
Boston Museum of Fine Arts		1	1 yr.
Danker, Rev. W. S.			1 yr

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Dutcher, F. J.	3		
Dutcher Street School, Grade nine		1	
Green, S. S.		1	
Haywood, Mrs. A. B.	5		
Indian Rights Association		1	
Lee and Shepard	1		
			Bul.
Libraries:—			
Boston Public Library		1	
Brockton Public Library		1	1 yr.
Brookline Public Library		1	1 yr.
Burlington, Vt., Fletcher Free Library		1	
Chelsea, Fitz Public Library		1	
Everett, Parlin Memorial Library		1	
Everett, Shute Memorial Library		1	
Fall River Public Library		3	
Grand Rapids Public Library		1	
Greenfield Public Library		1	
Holliston Public Library		1	
Lancaster Town Library		1	
Lawrence Public Library		1	
Leominster Public Library		1	
Lexington, Cary Library			1 yr.
Library of Congress	1		
Lynn Public Library		1	
Malden Public Library	1		
Natick, Morse Institute Library		1	
New Bedford Public Library		2	1 yr.
New York Public Library		1	
Newark, N. J., Free Library		1	7
Newton Free Library		1	
North Adams, Houghton Memorial Library		1	
Peabody Institute Library		1	1 yr.
Providence Public Library		1	
Salem Public Library		1	
Taunton Public Library		1	
Theological Library (General) of Boston		1	

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Uxbridge Public Library		1	
Weymouth, Tufts Library		2	
Worcester Public Library		1	
Massachusetts, State of	16	6	
			Per.
Milford Daily Journal			1 yr.
Milford Daily News			1 yr.
Milford Gazette			1 yr.
Newcomb, H. T.		1	
Peace Congress		1	
Putnam, A. A.		1	
Simmons College		1	
Smythe, R. M.	1		
Sornborger, H. B.	2		
Taylor, H. F.	15		
Towle Manufacturing Co.	1	1	
United States Government	13	67	
Willard, Mrs. George	1	2	

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(Those marked * are given.)

Weeklies.

American Machinist.
Automobile and Motor Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated.
Harper's Weekly.
Illustrated London News.
Life.
Milford Gazette.*
Official Gazette.*
Outlook.
Public Opinion.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Woman's Journal.*
Youth's Companion.

Monthlies.

American Advocate of Peace.*
Arena.
Atlantic.
Century.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Cumulative Index to Periodicals.
Delineator.
Educational Review.
Engineering Magazine.
Frank Leslie's Popular Maga-

MONTHLIES—Continued.

zine. Name changed with July number to "American Illustrated Magazine."
Good Housekeeping.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Bazar.
International Studio.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Library Journal.
Lippincott's.
McClure's.
Machinery.
Manifesto.*
Masters in Art.
Munsey's.
Musician.
New England.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Outing.
Photo-Era.
Popular Science Monthly.
Protectionist.*
Review of Reviews.
St. Nicholas.
Scientific American. Building Supplement. Name changed with July number to "American Homes and Gardens."
Scribner's.
Success.
Woman's Home Companion.
World's Work.

QUARTERLIES.

Forum.
International Quarterly.
Technology Review.*

DAILIES.

Boston Herald.
Boston Journal.
Milford Daily Journal.*
Milford Daily News.*

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